Actions and Decisions

21st meeting of the WWNWS-SC Document Review Working Group (DRWG21)
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The following is a list of actions and decision agreed to at the 21st meeting of the WWNWS-SC Document Review Working Group (DRWG21)

DRWG 21 Actions

- Action 1 Publish the EGC API standard on the IHO WWNWS-SC webpage. (IHO Secretariat)
- Action 2 -- Review the NAVAREA Coordinator Self-Assessment and annex, update/amend as necessary and report changes at the in-person DRWG 21 following NCSR 10. (WWNWS-SC Chair)
- **Decision 1** Maintain a single list of all MSI definitions in IMO resolution MSC.468 (A.705) and refer to this annex in all subsequent MSI resolutions and circulars.
- Action 3 Draft a list of all MSI definitions and review each definition. (DRWG)
- **Decision 2** Remove "Broadcast Methods" duplicate text from IMO Resolution MSC.469, MSC.470 and the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual due to duplicate text. Broadcast methods to reside in 468.
- **Action 4** Decide if the second sentence in paragraph 3.1.6 from IMO Resolution MSC.470 can be deleted. If deleted, The remaining text would then match what is referenced in IMO Resolution MSC.468 and could be deleted entirely from MSC.470. (WMO)
- **Decision 3** Retain the Maritime Safety Information service graphic (Figure 1) within IMO Resolution MSC.468. Delete the duplicate MSI service graphic in the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual, the International SafetyNET Services Manual, the Iridium SafetyCast Service Manual and a similar graphic in the IMO NAVTEX manual.
- **Decision 4** Retain paragraph 4 and 4.1, "Shipboard Equipment" within IMO Resolution MSC.468. This information may then be removed from the MSI Manual. (DRWG)
- Action 5 Decide whether to add a reference (or footnote) to MSC.1/Cir1645- Guidance for the Reception of Maritime Safety Information and Search and Rescue Related Information as Required in the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) in IMO Resolution MSC.468, paragraph 4.1. (DRWG)
- **Decision 5** The graphic "Geographic Areas for Coordinating and Promulgating NAVAREA/METAREA Warnings" will remain in IMO Resolutions MSC.469 and MSC.470, respectively. Remove those graphics from the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI Manual, the IMO NAVTEX Manual, the International SafetyNET Services Manual, and the Iridium SafetyCast Service Manual.
- **Action 6** Harmonize paragraph 3.2.1 "Automated methods..." from IMO Resolution MSC.469 and paragraph 3.2.1 "Automated methods..." from IMO Resolution MSC.470. (DRWG)
- **Decision 6** Move all references to "Scheduling...Automated Methods..." from IMO Resolution MSC.469 and MSC. 470 to the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI Manual. Delete paragraphs 3.2.2 "Schedule Changes" from both resolutions. IMO Resolution MSC.468 contains similar and sufficient guidance in paragraphs 6.4 and 6.5.
- **Action 7** Consider adding a reference to the IMO's Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) to IMO Resolution to IMO Resolution MSC.468Potential in Section 1 "Introduction" or Section 6 "Coordination Procedures". (DRWG)
- **Decision 7** Remove all NAVAREA, Subarea, and National Coordinator "Resources and Responsibilities" from the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual. Retain references to "Resources and Responsibilities" in IMO Resolutions MSC.469 and MSC.470.

- Action 8 Consider removing duplicate "Responsibilities" from paragraph 12.2 of the IMO NAVTEX manual. May require harmonization of "responsibilities" to remove duplicate text. (IMO NAVTEX Coordinating Panel)
- **Decision 8** Maintain paragraphs 4.2.1.1 and 4.2.1.2 in IMO resolution MSC.469. Remove paragraph 4.2.1.3 "...subjects suitable for broadcast warnings..." and retain "...subjects suitable for broadcast warnings..." only in the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual. Move paragraphs 4.1.2 through 4.1.4 to the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual. Only keep paragraph 4.1.1 in MSC.469.
- **Decision 9** Retain paragraphs 5, 5.1 and 5.3 in IMO resolution MSC.469. Retain similar information in MSC.470. Delete paragraphs 5.2 "Numbering" and 5.4 "No warnings". "Numbering" is already in the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO MSI manual, paragraph 5.1. Delete paragraph 5.2 "Language" from the MSI manual to avoid duplication. Note that "Language" text is different between MSC.469 and MSC.470.
- Action 9 Coordinate with the chair of the MSI and SAR related information Correspondence Group and SONSAT to draft an information paper for reference at NCSR 10, concerning the recommended revocation of IMO Resolution MSC.305 Guidelines on Operational Procedures for the Promulgation of MSI Concerning Acts of Piracy and Piracy Counter-Measure Operations. (WWNWS-SC Chair, NAVAREA X, SONSAT)
- Action 10 Determine if the IHO can host the Coastal State MSI C-55 Support Project or make the GIS files available for download. (WWNWS-SC Chair, IHO Secretariat)
- Action 11 -- Provide the NAVAREA VI Coordinator with the latest, releasable S-124 documentation by 10 March 2023 to support the 17th meeting of the South West Atlantic Hydrographic Commission (SWAtHC), 14-15 March 2023. (WWNWS-SC Chair Complete)
- **Action 12** Provide the WWNWS Subcommittee with the latest, releasable S-124 documentation. (WWNWS-SC Chair/S-124 PT Chair)
- Action 13 –Solicit for a presenter to discuss VHF Data Exchange (VDES), its progression and various applications for WWNWS 15. (WWNWS-SC Chair)

Incomplete Actions from DRWG 19

Action 5 – IMO EGC Coordinating Panel to address the need and definition of "National EGC service". (Chair EGC Panel)

Action 15 – Provide link and details to WMO secretariat for NAV VII moodle course to assist in development MET e-learning course. (NAVAREA VII)